

## JUBILEE 2025 "PILGRIMS OF HOPE"

### Mass Schedule

December 8 – December 14, 2025

#### St. John the Evangelist

Date	Time	Mass Intention
Monday, December 8		No Parish Mass
Tuesday, December 9		No Parish Mass
Wednesday, December 10	9:30 a.m.	For Lorraine Mei by Sue Quackenbush
Thursday, December 11	9:30 a.m.	For Melina Fraser by Stella Astgen
Friday, December 12	9:30 a.m.	For Barb Pineau by Renée Joly
Saturday, December 13 <b>THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT</b> Sunday, December 14	4:30 p.m.	For Brianna Monaghan by Michael & Kim Monaghan
	10:30 a.m.	For the Intentions of All Parishioners by Fr. Michael
<b>St. Bernardine of Siena</b>		
Sunday, December 14	9:00 a.m.	For Pat Dovigi by Ed Dovigi & Family

#### YOUR OFFERINGS on November 30th

*Thank you for your ongoing support!*

<b>St. John the Evangelist</b>	Envelopes:	\$ 1,840.00	PAD:	\$ 694.89
	Loose:	\$ 96.00	Interac:	\$ 1,410.00
	Memorial Flowers:	\$ 70.00		

**Total: \$ 4,110.89**

If you wish to use **INTERAC e-transfer** for donating to St. John the Evangelist Parish, simply log into your bank or credit union account, choose the INTERAC e-transfer option and use the Parish e-mail address. For donations to St. Bernardine Parish, use: [stbernardineofsiena@ssmd.ca](mailto:stbernardineofsiena@ssmd.ca).

**GARSON FOODBANK:** The greatest needs at the Foodbank at this time are: **shampoo, toilet paper, women's deodorant and bars of soap**, but **ANYTHING** donated is gratefully appreciated. Thank you for your ongoing generosity. If you are making a monetary donation to the Garson Foodbank, please make your cheque out to "The Sudbury Foodbank" with "The Garson Foodbank" written in the subject line. Only the Sudbury Foodbank is registered and able to issue receipts for income tax purposes.

The Roman Catholic Parishes of  
**ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST - Garson & Falconbridge**  
**ST. BERNARDINE OF SIENA - Skead**

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## SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

### December 7, 2025

#### Pastor

**Fr. Michael Williams**

#### ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST

#### Parish Pastoral Council

Fr. Michael Williams	Pastor - ex officio
Myron McCormick	Finance - ex officio
Marie Bardswich	St. John's
Sue Quackenbush	St. John's
Pamela Schofield-Adams	St. John's
Jim Murphy	St. John's
Sheila Lapierre	St. John's
Murielle Denis	St. John's
Trudy Hinds	St. Bernardine's
John Robert	St. Bernardine's

#### PRAYER LINE

Elaine Lamarche	705-693-3339
Rachel Corbett	705-693-3241

#### ST. BERNARDINE OF SIENA

#### Parish Contact

Carole Larrett 705-969-4607

#### Communion to the Sick

Rolande Kehoe 705-969-2838

#### SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday 4:30 pm. St. John the Evangelist

Sunday 9:00 am. St. Bernardine of Siena

Sunday 10:30 am. St. John the Evangelist

#### WEEKDAY MASSES

See inside for this week's schedule

#### RECONCILIATION

Wednesdays 9:05 - 9:25am (before Mass)  
in the Reconciliation Room

- And any time upon request -

#### CALL FR. MICHAEL REGARDING:

Home Visit, Communion or Anointing of the Sick  
Individual Celebration of Reconciliation

#### FOR BAPTISM, HOLY COMMUNION, CONFIRMATION & MARRIAGE:

Please speak with Fr. Michael at any Sunday Mass  
(6 months minimum notice is needed for Marriage)



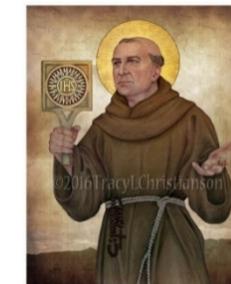
St. John Church  
Garson



St. Bernardine Church  
Skead



St. John the Evangelist



St. Bernardine of Siena

**CWL NEWS: ELECTIONS** - We are now accepting nominations for our new Executive Council for the term 2026-2028. Nomination forms will be available at our January General Meeting.

There are seven elective positions open for applications: President, Secretary, Treasurer, Organization and the three pillars of Faith, Service and Social Justice.



If you are interested in any of these positions, wish to nominate a member or yourself, or require further details regarding the scope of the role, please contact Sue Quackenbush at 693-2467 or by email at [suzanneq@fibreop.ca](mailto:suzanneq@fibreop.ca).

**CHRISTMAS MARKET** - Quilt ticket #1338 was won by Carmelle Charbonneau.



**POTLUCK DINNER:** To mark the 90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the establishment of St. John the Evangelist Parish, we will be having a potluck dinner on Friday, December 12<sup>th</sup> in the Parish Hall. Bring your favourite dish. Doors will open at 5pm, and dinner will begin at 6pm. Wine will be provided. Everyone is welcome. This is also the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe, so feel free to bring Mexican food, or to dress in Mexican attire (both are optional).

**The Canadian Bishops have prepared an online weekly video series for this year's Advent season. Designed to help prepare for the Memorial of the Birth of Our Lord celebrated at Christmas, these videos provide valuable resources and opportunities for faith formation.**

Titled [Journey through Advent](#), the series is here for those who wish to view them:

<https://www.cccb.ca/evangelization-catechesis-catholic-education/video-resources/journey-through-advent/>

**CHRISTMAS MEMORIAL FLOWERS:** If you wish to donate towards the cost of purchasing our Christmas flowers in memory of a loved one, envelopes for this purpose may be found in the entranceway of St. John's Church.



The names of those honored will be published in the bulletin on the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent, and the Christmas morning Mass at St. John's will be offered for all of them. All money donated will in turn be given by the Parish to the [Pregnancy Care Center and Infant Food Bank](#) in Sudbury to support the excellent work they do with some of the most needy individuals in our city. All donation envelopes must be returned no later than December 17<sup>th</sup> in order to ensure publication.



**ADVENT GIVING TREE:** Thank you for your generous response in taking one or more gift tags from our Advent Giving Tree. Please remember to return your gift, with the label firmly attached, no later than the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent (December 21<sup>st</sup>). Ideally, and if possible, please return the bathrobes and pajamas in a gift bag.

If you still wish to participate in this project, L'Arche has requested the following additional items: Netflix cards, Amazon cards, coloring books, super glue, mason jars, glasses and cups (4 sets of each), craft supplies, decorations/Christmas tree decorations, a dinnerware set, outdoor games and/or large board games.

All the larger items have been spoken for, with the exception of the 3D printer. If someone is interested in purchasing one, please speak to Fr. Michael first to make sure it has not already been looked after.

**Thank you for your generous participation in this year's Advent Giving Tree project!**

The [Parish Pastoral Council](#) met in the Parish Hall this past Wednesday. The full minutes of that meeting are now posted on our Parish website. Please read them there. These are some highlights of our discussions:

- Christmas movie day will be on January 2, 2026
- Appreciation dinner to be on February 13, 2026
- 90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Pot Luck Dinner on December 12<sup>th</sup> (see other page for details)
- Subcommittee to be formed in Skead to plan a Lenten/Easter direct mailout with a view to evangelization in that community
- RCIA program continues on Wednesday nights – about 8 attending. All are welcome.



**GIFT FOR BISHOP THOMAS DOWD:** This past October, we were blessed to welcome Bishop Thomas Dowd to our parishes. As a way of thanking him for his time with us, we are preparing a [Spiritual Bouquet](#) in his honour. We would appreciate it if you could take a moment to fill in a card. Your pews contain cards along with an instruction sheet detailing our request. The cards will be accessible to you for a duration of two consecutive Sundays.

We thank you for your prayers and participation. Your offerings will help convey a beautiful message to Bishop Dowd as a sign of our appreciation from our parishes.